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1. The following report is based on confidential information with Austrian Security Office, Salzburg.

2. After a public meeting of Nationale Liga held in Salzburg, Sternbräu, on 29 March 1951, a confidential conference took place between Salzburg party leader Ingl Josef KAPLAN, who recently moved to Salzburg from Zell am See, Anton KARGL (land party leader of Demokratische Union), frau WEISS (Demokratische Union) and several other functionaries of both Demokratische Union and Nationale Liga. On such occasion a possible fusion of both Nationale Liga and Demokratische Union was discussed. KARGL and WEISS agreed to propose such fusion to Demokratische Union Bundesleitung. In such case the Nationale Liga representatives want Dr. Josef BERNHARDT to resign from DV leadership. Reason for such demand are BERNHARDT's former activities as member of the authoritarian Austrian Government (Minister of Public Welfare) and his emigration to Turkey and Egypt prior to World War II.

3. On the morning of 1 April 1951 a private meeting of Salzburg Nationale Liga took place at Café Schar. Dr. Adolf SLAVIK, frau BERNHARDT, Dr. frau HESS from Vienna Bundesleitung, and frau FRIEDRICH, Hans Henry HANDEL, WILHELM, Frank HANDEL, Johann HANDEL, Wilhelm HOPPE, frau SCHNEIDER, Josef KAPLAN, Ruth KAPLAN, Dr. Georg SAUBERT, Emil SCHLOSS, Erwin SCHÖPFMANN, Josef SCHWEITZER from Salzburg Nationale Liga were present.

Dr. Adolf SLAVIK instructed that Nationale Liga members should use blanks at the presidential election. The candidacy of Dr. Burghard BREITNER was to be opposed by Nationale Liga, because VÖU endeavors to gather votes for BREITNER only to sell them to ÖVP before the second poll.

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Dr. Adolf SLAVIK further informed on good progress of Nationale Liga in all-Austria, the outstanding activists being former soldiers and idealistic women.

At Vienna, Nationale Liga has attracted the attention of re-insurers who are still unwilling to become immediate members of Communist Party; especially OeVP business men have granted considerable subventions to Nationale Liga.

To the question of Dr. Georg SAUSENG on the Oder-Neisse-border Dr. SLAVIK replied evasively, and drew the attention of his listeners to the Saar and other questions.

He further stated that SPOe had endeavored to take up connections with Nationale Liga and that he had refused to deal with such 'traitors'.

Salzburg land party leader Ing. Josef KAPLAN warned his listeners from CIC and Austrian police agents collecting intelligence on Nationale Liga.

All other discussions were characterized by the well-known anti-US propaganda.

4. Acting as propagandist, Direktor fnu MOSLER already succeeded in winning a certain number of Volksdeutsche at Camp Hellbrunn and Alpensiedlung for Nationale Liga. Both, MOSLER and Dr. Adolf SLAVIK intend to establish a special party platform for Volksdeutsche, and will further organize propaganda meetings on a larger scale.

5. Frank HANSER,

employee, born 10 November 1898 at Bludenz, Vorarlberg, Austrian citizen, living at Salzburg, Stelzhamerstr. 3.

has been ordered to install a Salzburg party bureau of Nationale Liga, the necessary rooms for which are not yet at hand.

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